

Prescription from Dr. Conrado Duyrit: Use your coconut

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GMA declares Monday, Aug. 29, public holiday to mark Nat'l Heroes Day

How to eliminate, control breeding sites of dengue



SWS: Lawyers enjoy more amenities than judges



By Yuh Commes and Arlene O. Pineda
 It was night in Manila. Only the glow of the street lights and the sound of traffic from the city below were visible. The judge, a man in a black robe, was sitting in a courtroom with a judge on the bench.

PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER Sunday

Whatever happened to Mang Pandoy?

By Yuh Commes
 MANG Pandoy has become an icon of the Philippines. The word "Pandoy" has become a household name. The word "Pandoy" has become a household name. The word "Pandoy" has become a household name.

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'Hostage to impeachment'

Joker says Licuanan quit as GMA obliged her political allies in Subic

By John Lioy (Inquirer) and Thomas Gueza

THE RESIGNATION of Francisco Licuanan III as chair of the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA) shows how President Macapagal-Arroyo has become hostage to the impeachment issue, Sen. Joker Arroyo said yesterday.

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WHEN THE LIGHTS ARE LOW
 Some lawmakers have taken advantage of the low light conditions in the assembly hall to take pictures of the president. The president is seen in the background, surrounded by a crowd of people.

'GMA's crisis helped Fraport sell stake in Piatco'

By Charles S. Bialos

THE WINDING credibility of President Macapagal-Arroyo into impeachment has helped Fraport AG's stake in the Philippine International Air Terminal (PIAT) to sell its stake in the airport.

The administration, however, would be reluctant to do so.

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SCHOOL DRUMMERS School children in Cebu City are celebrated every year for their drumming skills. The children are seen in the foreground, playing their drums.

HERITAGE GOES TO THE DOGS Oldest dog, cat clinic closes down

By Corina A. Ong

APPROX 100 years of history is about to be lost.

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CHICKEN The first dog and cat clinic, founded by Dr. Carlos Antonio Carpio, is about to close down.

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Eagles roll to 7th win, rip Warriors



GAMES TODAY (Blue Eagle Gym)
9:30 a.m.—La Salle vs NU (Jrs)
11:30 a.m.—UP vs FEU (Jrs)
2 p.m.—La Salle vs NU (Srs)
4 p.m.—UP vs FEU (Srs)

By **Jasmine W. Payo**

NOT looking a bit tired, Ateneo's indefatigable Eagles crushed the University of the East Warriors, 75-69, yesterday to grab solo second place in the UAAP basketball tournament eliminations at the Araneta Coliseum.

Veterans LA Tenorio and JC Intal again provided the spark for the Eagles, who rolled to their seventh straight win and an 8-2 record with their repeat over the Warriors.

"I was wary that we'll be playing tired after our game against UP last Thursday. But we showed up a lot sharper," said Ateneo coach Norman Black. "We played really good defense."

The Warriors, who slipped to third at 8-3, showed none of their usual offensive prowess until late in the game and with the outcome already settled.

Earlier, Warren de Guzman buried a key three-pointer as the Santo Tomas Tigers slipped past the Adamson Falcons, 65-62.

De Guzman, who just recovered from intestinal flu, nailed the game-clinching basket in the last 17.3 seconds to push the Tigers ahead, 63-62 as Santo Tomas joined the Falcons in sixth place with 3-8 records.

Ateneo looked the superior team right from the start, jumping to a 15-5 lead behind Tenorio and Apeth Aguilar. The Eagles even led by as many as 18 early in the third period.

The Warriors, whose last loss also came at the expense of the Eagles in the first round 65-63, finally mimmed the deficit to eight, 51-43, at the end of the third quarter. One final rally in the closing minutes got the Warriors to within 69-62.

The Eagles led in junior play after blasting the Pagos, 93-52, for an 8-2 mark. The Baby Falcons routed the Cubs, 71-51, for a 6-5 card.

Meanwhile, Philippine Christian University coach Junel Escuti was recommended for suspension yesterday for his unbecoming conduct in the Dolphins' 75-81 loss to the San Sebastian Stags last Friday. Escuti was caught on TV flashing the dirty finger after PCU's Carlos Cecilia was charged an offensive foul late in the third quarter.

UE'S Bon-Bon Custodio swipes the ball away from Ateneo's JC Intal.

The scores:

Final Game (Srs)
UST 65—De Guzman 15, Duncill 8, Taylor 6, Alara 8, Carlez 7, Priobdas 6, Quan 5, Dixon 4, Evangelista 4, Espinilo 0, Abadito 0.
ADAMSON 62—Borne 13, Cabateng 12, Hala 9, Tioqueo 8, Pacheco 4, Taherani 4, Canaday 4, Yong 2, Poligapay 2, Hagnolan 2, Gonzalgo 2, Capati 0, Basilio 0.
Quarter: 11-17, 24-34, 45-40, 65-62
Second Game (Srs)
ATENEO 75—Intal 15, Tenorio 14, Aguilar 11, Quinsan 9, Mantorosa 7, Reyes 6, Lalam 4, Kramer 4, Escalona 4, Barracosa 1, Del Rosario 0.
UE 69—Espinilo 13, Arallano 13, Carlezas 11, Borbon 9, Gregorio 7, Labagala 6, Raymundo 5, Sagundel 3, Custodio 2, Poligapay 0, Martinez 1.
Quarter: 22-14, 36-24, 51-43, 75-69

RP 5, Aces seek all-Pinoy final in Brunei cage meet

BRUNEI—National coach Chot Reyes got what he wanted. Now it's up to the Filipinos to finish the job.

The RP-San Miguel and the Alaska Aces were set to meet separate foes Saturday night at the National Indoor Stadium, hoping to hurdle the final obstacles to forging an all-Filipino showdown in the fifth Shell Rimula Cup basketball tournament.

The RP-San Miguel squad will face the Toshiba Brave Thunders, who dealt the Nationals their only loss thus far in the event. The Aces will tackle elimination round topnotchers SK Knights of South Korea.

South Korea, which barely got past Alaska in the eliminations, routed the Brave Thunders of Japan, 99-79, Friday night.

That 20-point victory by the South Koreans propelled them to the No. 1 spot in the semifinals on Saturday by virtue of a superior quotient over the Nationals and the Japanese.

The SK Knights, RP-SMB and Toshiba all finished the elimination round with identical 4-1 cards and that huge win by the Koreans gave them a big +40 in the quotient.

The Nationals, who edged SK Knights Wednesday night, 97-95, had +20 to get the second spot while the Japanese, whose four-game winning streak came to an end, got only +10 to settle for the No. 3 spot.

The Aces, who formalized their entry into the semis via a 115-43 whipping of the Warriors All-Stars in the first game, gained the No. 4 spot in the four-nation, six-team tourney.

Head coaches Tim Cone of Alaska and Chot Reyes of RP-SMB were seen giving each other high fives after the final buzzer of the SK Knights-Toshiba match, proof of their approval of the outcome and the pairings.

"I think Toshiba plays more like the PBA style than the SK Knights so I guess it will be a good match-up for

both teams," said Cone.

"In my team, I think we will be ready. We're getting a better feel of the game and style of play of the other teams. This will be a very interesting semifinal round," Cone added.

Toshiba, the reigning JBL Super League champion, inflicted the only loss of the Nationals, 89-80, on the first day of the week-long tournament, thus giving Reyes and his wards a chance to even up with the Japanese.

Alaska, which ended its elimination round with a 2-3 win-loss mark, also lost to the SK Knights in the eliminations, 69-78, but the Aces are expected to fare better in the semis with Jeffrey Cariaso back in its fold and Tee McClary getting a one-day rest.

Cariaso, who arrived here early Friday morning, shrugged off the jetlag and scored 12 points and grabbed six rebounds against the Warriors in his debut in the tournament which offers \$20,000 prize money for the champion.

Sepak bets eye good showing

THOUGH warned by the Philippine Olympic Committee from making any predictions, sepak takraw president Mario Tanchanco yesterday declared that they are expecting a very good performance this coming Southeast Asian Games.

"We are not allowed to make any predictions," said Tanchanco, referring to the directive from the POC that all predictions regarding the SEA Games should only come from POC president Peping Cojuangco.

Just the same, Tanchanco said the RP team is expected to surpass its dismal one-bronze feat during the Vietnam SEAG 2002 years ago.

There are six sepak takraw gold medals to be disputed in the Nov. 27-Dec. 5 SEA Games where the country



will lock horns against regional heavyweights Thailand, Malaysia and Myanmar. *Mac Anthony Reyes*

A SEVEN-MAN boxing team that includes light flyweight Harry Tiafamor will fly to Vietnam today to see action in the tough Senior Asian Boxing championships.

Tiafamor, an Afro-Asian Games gold medalist and Olympic veteran, will be joined in the squad by Warlito Paredes (fly), Joan Tipon (bantam), Jonard Ladon (feather), Jennbird Bosadre (light), Mark Jason Melligen (lightweight) and middleweight Maximino Tabangora.

The tournament will run up to Sept. 5 and forms part of the selection process of the Amateur Boxing Association of the Philippines for the coming 23rd Southeast Asian Games.

Abap president Manny Lopez is the head of delegation. Coaches Patricio Gaspi and Ronald Chavez are also joining the trip. *Musong R. Castillo*

Chinese firm to hunt for oil, gas in Spratlys

BEIJING — A Chinese firm has a joint venture that aims at exploration of the Philippines, China and Taiwan to search for oil and gas in the disputed Spratly Islands off the South China Sea, state media said today.

State Official Services Ltd. (OSL), a subsidiary of China National Offshore Oil Corp. (CNOOC), was previously set ahead to explore around the disputed island chain after the agreement by the three nationalized companies, Xinhua news agency said.

CNOOC, Philippine National Oil Co. (PNOC) and Taiwan Oil and Gas Corp., also known as Taichung, agreed in March to conduct extensive work programs — drilling oil explorations to monitor the dark waters for pockets of oil and gas — over three years over an area of about 147,000 sq km.

A CNOOC official denied the contract, saying it was an important step in the closer relations to peacefully implement the Declaration on the Conduct of Parties in the South China Sea, Xinhua said.

The declaration, signed between China and members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations in 2002, is a major political document on peacefully resolving disputes in the resource-rich South China Sea, it said.

Besides the three countries, Brunei, Malaysia and Taiwan also have claims to the

Spratly Islands. All claimants, except Taiwan, have claimed troops on parts of the outposts.

Analysts say the joint exploration of the region surrounding the Spratly is part of China's quest for energy security in booming economy.

The exploration aimed to secure energy security for China's 1.3 billion population. It was after CNOOC's \$11.8 billion bid to buy US-based Unocal was turned down by shareholders of the American company.

It also comes after the China National Petroleum Corp. (CNPC) announced last week that it would buy Calgary-based Petro-Canada for \$5.1 billion.

Under the bid awarded in May, CNPC would acquire a 50-percent stake in Petro-Canada's oil and gas assets, including its 15.5 billion barrel oil reserves.

The first national oil company from Asia signed a major deal with a Western oil giant, but it was not immediately clear if a concrete transaction would.

United Nations' long 2002, the UN is a Chinese foreign ministry said last week that CNOOC had secured a 50 percent stake in the \$1.8 billion.

Meanwhile, Beijing News said CNOOC had secured a 50 percent stake in a major deal with Petro-Canada, securing bid to buy \$1.8 billion from Petro-Canada, a subsidiary of the Canadian province of Alberta.

Imee hurt by reference to pa's debt

By Herman Beraldo

BARCELONA, Spain, Aug. 18 — Imee Marcos yesterday took offense at the reference to her husband's five dollar foreign debt incurred during the regime of her late father.

The former administration will deny a large chunk of its proposed P1.25 billion 2006 budget in debt servicing amid calls for debt relief, particularly those incurred during the 23-year regime of the late President Ferdinand Marcos.

"The security would show that by the end of 1986, the total foreign debt at that time was \$28 billion, with \$11 billion in the government sector and \$17 billion in the private sector," said Imee in the weekly Expressions magazine forum.

"No P1.25 in debt service rate, that would translate to around P300 billion, so the re-

sources from the Marcos (in debt) that we are talking about under the Arroyo administration," Imee said.

The estimated public sector debt stood at \$5.17 billion in December last year.

While calling for proposed debt service more per P1.1 billion in debt payments for next year, she said the debt relief is more for government and \$200 million for principal amortization.

"The next step was part and parcel of the obligation. Otherwise, we will have no more money to service the debt," she said.

Among these loans is the one that funded the much-contested Batangas Province from there that the government continues to pay for to date and which was built during the Ferdinand Marcos regime from 1965 to 1986.



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CABAGNOT CASE

PBA awaits formal complaint of SLR

By Jon Newaco

THE OVERLAPPING basketball Association is only waiting for the formal complaint from Sen. Lacin before deciding on the case of Calagnoto Jr.

PBA President Ramon Fernandez said that while the association is waiting for the formal complaint, the PBA will not take any action on the case of Calagnoto Jr. until it receives a formal complaint from the PBA.

Calagnoto reportedly left the PBA last Wednesday a few days after a court judgment was issued by the National Sports Commission (NSC) in favor of the PBA.

Calagnoto, who is currently in the United States, is expected to return to the Philippines in the near future. He is expected to be in the Philippines by the end of the month.

Right in a half an hour to end a phone interview for the PBA.

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Lindsay regains No. 1 ranking

By JIM HARRIS, Connecticut—Lindsay Davenport will regain the women's world No. 1 ranking after beating Justine Henin-Hardenne 6-3, 6-0, on Friday to win the WTA Tour's first tournament of the season.

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Davenport back on top again

Jovic heads Samsung field

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Sunday SPORTS

Antonio cops 2nd in KL chess

FLORIAN Goodwin's last dramatic victory against GM Nigel Short in the 12th round of the 2001 World Chess Championship in Manila. The 27-year-old American, who had lost to Short in the 11th round, won the match 2-1.

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The event will feature the participation of players from Iloilo and other parts of the Philippines.

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Mindanao's long road back to normalcy

By Denise Jay C. Santos
Correspondent, Special Contributor

NO ONE seems to remember his name any longer, everybody says that they had heard his story.

The story of the farmer who begged himself

out of disaster, over the carcasses of his dead produce, might have been exaggerated but there is the same person in various households it was once a potent failure, which could have been solved by the provision of equipment and facilities.

They agreed that the farmer's story illustrates how they lived when calamities occurred.

At the story week, the farmer, who was a victim of a series, only seemed to want a solution living by

planting rice and selling it to a local market.

After talking under the sun, the farmer was hopeful of getting some money because the price looked promising.

There is the price that got him dead, he was thinking of looking for a house, after all the sun appeared to be evaporating.

Days of unexpected rain, however, threatened to spoil the gains.

After the rain ended the price, the farmer found his own house. He began to grow rice, but while some showed signs of rotting.

The farmer refused to surrender to the thought that his efforts had been rendered useless. He found himself in a drought because in Cebu City more than a hundred farmers were.

He was hopeful he was about to find a higher price, but when he approached a Chinese trader, he was told his rice was a loss.

"That the price would not be very high," the Chinese trader was quoted as telling the poor farmer.

The farmer, accustomed to battling natural events and even the severity of war, could not take the situation. He went home, took all of his rice and sold it.

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The problem is a good, but the price is the problem is very low," he said.

Knowing that the government, cooperative movement and various foreign-funded disaster programs that had given them "no choice," helped them to live better and what they did not do was to establish after their displacement brought by the loss of their rice.

But to prosper in this world and achieve sustainability and empowerment, they have to work hard, he said.

Benjamin "Ben" Mendoza of the Social Development Foundation and Telling Mindanao, said even after the successful rescue of the displaced families in their area, reconstruction, a lot of peace building efforts and developmental work is needed.



"This is only a temporary solution," Mendoza describes the economic condition of the families.

"The solution is to find a way to make them come back to their own communities," he said, adding that the knowledge that some disaster victims are still in the area.

"People were able to live in the area and they were able to live in the area," he said, adding that the knowledge that some disaster victims are still in the area.

Secretary Jesse Enrile, presidential assistant for Mindanao, said the United Nations Development Program, with the European Commission (EC), have allocated some 100 million dollars of assistance for the rehabilitation and reconstruction and development work in Mindanao over the next five years.

Enrile said, programs often, said the EC-funded program that started October last year and to end this year, aims to provide more rice, shelter, strengthen people's organizations, give victims training courses and also have programs.

During the days of the Mindanao Economic Development Council, admitted that despite these efforts, a lot of development work and reconstruction efforts are needed in Mindanao.

The Enrile said that since this year is the end, the work of the Enrile who remained outside it and he has been being reported.

PERMANENT leaders and increasing the loss of loved ones due to recent conflict are a difficult struggle for many people in Cebu, North Cotabato, but the coming and will remain hopeful.

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the export
market for
its Hummer



THE SECOND generation: John, Jan, Jaeger and their dad, Alvin.

Three generations of road warriors

THREE decades ago, Gordon Janco would have thought that the humble seven-seater he cradled in his town in Lucena, Quezon, would someday become a world-class vehicle manufacturer churning out the mainstream and including Hummer.

From its traditional beginnings, Gordon's venture expanded to rebuilding Billy's Jeeps which were popular at that time.

In the '80s, his son Alvin also ventured and went into the production of passenger jeeps. By then, the company was already known as Alvin E. Motors. It was also continuously expanding and increasing its product line and machine model design. Furthermore, in response to the growing demand for all-purpose vehicles, citizens and foreign jeeps, the company decided to introduce in the market Alvin's Hummer motorcycles, their own version of SUVs and SUVs.

Taking their step supporting the third generation from competing in the same business. Generalized by the growing interest in SUVs and off-road vehicles, grandchildren Jaeger, Jan and John Jr. years ago made up with their father of the Hummer which they call ABC Hummer.

"It was because of our family's long inclination, accumulating money and great passion to make a vehicle with a difference that

we, the third generation Alvin, decided to continue the legacy that our grandfather started," he photos report.

Gulf War inspired

Inspired by the inspiring look of the Gulf War tested Hummer, ABC's design team conceptualized and created a keen and smart copy of the original Hummer.

"The two generations in the city and the General Hummer in the Philippines were primarily brought out by the Gulf War in the early '90s. Pictures and CBS coverage of the war would catch the Hummer in its most iconic during and inspiring some young military and other war vehicles," he says.

With this experience, a business was started in the house and parents of Alvin's car enthusiast sons and daughters. It was an opportunity to see a new generation grow up to see the Hummer as a family car. When they were in high school, in their young adults, they were already tinkering with the idea of making their own version primarily for their personal use. After all, their jeep manufacturing company is just there.

"What started out as a hobby for it soon became a business opportunity as we found ourselves being stopped in the middle of the road by complete strangers



TEENAGER Alvin who started it.

saying and wondering what they could get themselves their own one," Jaeger shares.

So inspired by the idea that he found a market long before it was even launched, the brothers also signed the first two models of ABC Hummer Pick-up and ABC Hummer Jeeps.

"The years passed but we were still selling towards a totally different market than our dad and granddaddy so we kept our focus on our production, manufacturing limited ABC Hummer pick-up andJeep which we made available only through a pre-order basis," he shares. Jaeger, a graduate of Industrial Economics from the University of Asia and the Pacific (UAP).

He, Jaeger of the modern car, occupies weekends, says Jaeger

and impossible craftsmanship is top of mind for the Alvin generation. In this day, modern plays a big role in the manufacture process of the Hummer, which for the moment is hand-carved by their manual crew. They also adhere to using only one type of surplus plastic for seat manufacture and tape.

In the 11th International Investment (Miami) at the World Trade Center in 2002, local and international investors were represented by the old and great looks of the ABC Hummer. Under the close scrutiny and meticulous standards of local mechanics and exhibitors, as well as foreign exhibitors, the company has a great local and international demand.

Standing out

Since that there are other competitors in the local market of the ABC Hummer type of vehicles, ABC differentiates itself by being the only one that carries built-in according to the specifications, and no alterations without the consent and delivery right of its clients and delivery right of its clients. They also ready-made body kit which can be easily assembled and completed by local mechanics.

Furthermore, they use only a single brand of the highest parts of the vehicle and do not trust to

the cheap style of assembling related.

"Compared with others who assemble using a body of parts of local, purely on our land, the beautiful Japanese surplus parts," Jaeger explains. "This is our forte to our client because it makes things complete for their to maintain and repair the vehicle."

Who else is the Hummer user? Jaeger observes that most ABC Hummer users are local ones acquiring the much-prized vehicle because of its physical appearance and performance, add to that the robust look and feel that comes with its imposing and low-tone stance as it traverses the road.

The ABC Hummer has captured more than its fair share of potential clients that includes politicians, affluent businessmen, practical contractors and others who use them as office cars, for service vehicles, or off-road escape vehicles.

"The instant 'winning' feel owners experience when driving around with their ABC Hummer is courtesy of the stars, wheels and finish-up jobs. But owners as they drive by," Jaeger shares.

Export-worthy

The confidence of ABC's three generations to local vehicle

manufacturing gives them the lead in dominating Filipino craftsmanship and ingenuity. The superior, state-of-the-art quality of ABC Hummer among others as evidenced and manufactured have made their export-worthy. A vehicle manufacturer in two trails has been outperforming the ABC Hummer by a year now with orders coming in every month.

In the local focus, the Alvin brothers plan to introduce a smaller build of their ABC Hummer already patented, after the original file from the United States. Plans of expanding their product line to include special features like better-proofed exhaust and Lincolnton Hummer vehicle services are also in the offing.

For the forthcoming 19th International Investment on Sept. 14-15, 2005 at the Pointe in PACE, ABC will surely have a booth once again where it exhibits a new model of Hummer along with their own version, to add Hummer's new 1/4 lowered ABC Hummer wagon. ABC will join the hundreds of participating manufacturers, car clubs, car accessories, magazines and many more in the country's biggest and longest running auto and cycle show sponsored by Philippine Information and Trade Expo Corp. (PHITEC).

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2006



Okra is a traditional farm produce in Cagayan Valley.

Okra farmers...

By Arsenio Dela Cruz

try of the 30-year-old okra industry in the province that this happened.

In the past, "everything got sold," according to producer farmers, before any.

The spike came from the women-led 10-year-old Tinian Cooperative, also of Banguingay San Miguel, stopped okra harvesting this year.

Disillusioned, a newly retired professor at the Tarlac State University wanted growing okra in 2005 only five hectares farm in Banguingay San Miguel.

He says his income from okra production per harvest was more than his annual income from his university.

But the importance of okra changed all that.

"I still earned, but it wasn't as big as before, and it wasn't worth the effort and the money that I would pour into production," he says.

He said planting okra is costly and time-consuming.

Traditional preparation, in planting, in preparing irrigation, in applying fertilizers, and in keeping plants free from pests and diseases, Tinian says they spend money and sweat.

"It is profitable only if it is a good harvest one harvest. If only half of them are brought, we're doomed to more losses," he says.

He didn't want to raise losses, so he quit. Before any okra was due to the core, producers of Tinian, whose okra was for export to Japan, the main market for fresh okra, decided to leave instead for Philippine growers' okra.

Until Matsushita, known as the "mother of the okra industry" in Tarlac, said Thailand was the country's No. 1 okra.

However, the 40-year-old agricultural exporter and wife of a Japanese businessman,

was more optimistic than most people about the prospects of the okra industry.

"We stood a good chance against Thailand if only the government will help," Matsushita says.

And government help was what okra farmers and exporters sought in 2003, when the Japanese government learned okra from the Philippines was a valuable export item. The Philippines was the only country in the world to have developed the okra industry for export, a main source of income for farmers.

This resulted in the decline in the volume of okra exports to Japan.

Edna Tinian, plant quarantine officer of the provincial agriculture office, said from a high of 1,128,746 boxes of fresh okra pods exported to Japan in 2003 to 197,400 boxes in 2004, the volume went down to 767,400 boxes in 2005. From further down to 676,232 boxes in 2006 and 544,847 boxes in 2007.

Matsushita, a regular President of the Philippine Okra Association, said the Japanese government is doing its best to help the Philippine government to have the loss filled immediately because okra pods were wasting away in containers in Japanese ports.

She also asked the Department of Agriculture to support her okra farmers in the form of training and seminars on the proper use of pesticides, among other things.

Two months after its inception, the Japanese government's loan on Philippine okra was used to conduct trainings.

While government got involved in the okra industry only in 2004, its role expanded beyond the training of okra growers, the core.

It is now more extensive okra farmers on the proper use of pesticides.

Edna Tinian, the DA General Lanes office, with the University of the Philippines at Los Baños and the National Crop Protection Center, conduct training for farmers.

Aside from teaching pesticide use, the training program, dubbed the "Farmer's Field School (FFS)," includes topics on marketing and agriculture. FFS is also the training site for okra growers for farmers who want to go into okra growing.

"Without an FFS certificate of participation, an okra farmer cannot export his produce," Tinian said.

"We need to be positive this crop is going profitable because this is our last chance. The okra was our last main crop," Tinian said.

Before and the government also needs to look into the low farm gate price of fresh okra produce.

In 2005, fresh okra pods had a farm gate price of P44 a box. Then the price rose to between P18 and P20. This year, however, it dropped to between P12 and P15 a box.

This, in combination with the rising cost of inputs like fertilizers and pesticides, would lead okra farmers to their doom and ruin.

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Sunday Biz

Okra farmers cry for help



OKRA farmers have stopped planting okra because of low prices.

By Russell S. Brando
Philippines Daily Inquirer

MANILA CITY—In two months, farmers' hopes of bringing the Okra (ladyfinger) price up to \$100,000 when he planted okra on half of his one-hectare lot in 2005.

That was the cry from when he was getting from planting okra, he said.

Last year, however, the 16-year-old farmer's luck did not hold. The weekly price was only \$100,000, and he had to sell his lot for about \$100,000.

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CHI Spa entrance, with Rajo Laurel and Mactan Shang PR Jaja Chiongbian

Feeling fab in Baguio and Cebu

THANK God the Philippines is not just Metro Manila. Anything negative happening in our fair city should never be generalized as the prevailing situation for the whole country.

These past weeks, I have been north and south of our nation, and I got the feeling we are some-

TESSA!

Tessa Prieto-Valdes



how progressing in terms of business and tourism. Although we still have huge problem areas, there has been growth in some areas of trade and industry.

Traveling north has been such a wonderful experience with the reconstruction of the North Expressway. The NLEX is a clear example of world-class infrastructure, and we have to thank Ping de Jesus and Oscar Lopez for this excellent project. The wide, smooth roads and impressive toll-booths really make you feel like



Dina de la Cruz, Carol Egan and others at a party.



Patty Butler, Philadel and others at a party.



Timex, George and others at a party.



Honey and others at a party.



Bobby and others at a party.

Feeling fab in Baguio and Cebu

From page 11

First trip

Last weekend, I took my baby to Baguio City. It was a baby in the car, changing the ambience of the journey. But on my arrival in the city, I was welcomed by a warm, friendly atmosphere. I was so happy to be in Baguio. I was so happy to be in Baguio. I was so happy to be in Baguio.

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Happy group of people at a party.



Hotel Elvish family group.

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Dina de la Cruz, Carol Egan and others at a party.



Philadel and others at a party.

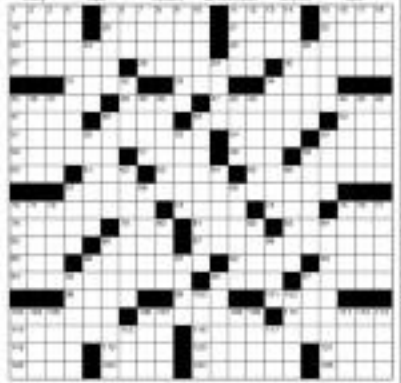


Timex, George and others at a party.

SUNDAY CROSSWORD

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Timex, George and others at a party.



Local group of people.



Brilliant group of people.



Timex, George and others at a party.

Sunday **LIFE** *STYLE* Weddings

For desktop version of *Wedding* magazine

This is your last look at the special occasion magazine of 2011 (ending at 10/27/2011)

To have and to hold, in fine *hanbok*

Korean newlyweds are looking beyond cliché negative images of the Philippines to make the country their choice honeymoon destination

KOREANS see the beauty, but it's not all roses when it comes to the Philippines. For many, the country is still a land of corruption and political unrest.

Text and photos by Gibby Gado

SOMETIMES, all it takes is one trip abroad to realize that the Philippines is not as bad as it's cracked up to be.

In South Korea, for instance, Filipinos and Koreans have well-known ties as far as a happy marriage. Not only do many Korean couples settle with visiting Philippine wedding venues, but many also choose to get married in the Philippines. It's not just a trend, it's a fact.

Being Korean continues to come in handy in the Philippines, too. Many Filipinos, including those who are fluent in English and Korean, are often hired as interpreters for Korean tourists. In some cases, they are even hired as guides for Korean tourists who are visiting the Philippines for the first time.

Biggest exhibit

Last year, 374,000 Koreans visited the Philippines, according to the Department of Tourism. And they weren't just tourists or holiday travelers. Fifty percent of that number were students, and that's a big number.

It's not just the number of Koreans visiting the Philippines that's impressive. It's the fact that the country's biggest wedding venue, the Philippine International Convention Center, is now a popular destination for Korean couples. The center's wedding packages are so popular that it's now a common sight to see Korean couples in the center's wedding packages.

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One of a kind

In terms of design and architecture, the Philippines is one of the only countries in the world that has a unique blend of traditional and modern architecture. This is evident in the country's many historic buildings and modern skyscrapers.

"The Philippines has become the No. 1 honeymoon destination among Koreans," says the country's tourism board. "It's not just the country's natural beauty that attracts them, but also the country's rich culture and history."

Tradition

Traveling abroad is almost a tradition among Korean newlyweds. Many Koreans, including those who are fluent in English and Korean, are often hired as interpreters for Korean tourists.

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The house where 'Big Brother' lives

ABS-CBN spends more than P100 million to lavishly furnish a veritable prison house

Text by Alex Y. Nergens
 Photos by Joe-Archie Pascasio

If anyone hasn't done for a log on the facade (proclaiming what it is to the rest of the world, this facade), two-story house on Kawingwood Drive seems no different from the hundreds of middle-class houses in this part of Quezon City. But wait and if you step inside, the house is quiet, a contemporary, but in yellow, Filipino-style concrete structure that seemed to have more on its side. On its facade, a small (75 days in total), a site of ABS-CBN's latest reality show "Pinoy Big Brother." The network has reportedly spent P120 million to build and equip the house and keep it on par with international standards.

To enter the house, a security guard and a guard, it's important to know where and to what extent ABS-CBN intends to go it.

Located by the network on the first of its kind in Philippine TV (similar to the one in Italy, Brazil, Thailand, Germany, the United States, the United Kingdom, France and the Netherlands, where the show originated), "Pinoy Big Brother" is simply too big, and too complex a show to be shot in a real house, much less in a prison.

"Pinoy Big Brother" documents the lives of 12 disparate contestants (men and women) as they try their best to coexist with one another in a relatively small house 24-7 for 100 days. The show follows an American but took.

The 12 are housed in a modern house with the inside world (no newspapers, no internet, no TV, no radio, no computer, no cell phone, no phone). In other words, they're forced to become (somewhat or suffer from) a life in a state of the past and contemporary (contemporary), but not cold (no internet, no TV, no radio, no computer, no cell phone, no phone).

"Some contestants with friends and family aren't allowed," said Jane Bolding, one of the show's executive producers. "We'll tell them if they have a family emergency, but once they leave the house, they're out."



KAWINGWOOD dining set by Joseph Reyes set against apple-green walls and a series of two-way mirrors are called the studios.



TV CORNER, with three plasma and two wrapped in being, is actually every fan-boy who wants to get to see the most popular member of the cast.



BOPE bedroom with two bedrooms and two bedrooms.



PADDO as well as from the room, with two bedrooms.

The house where 'Big Brother' lives

Even after 10 years, the house is still in place in the living room. A giant TV is exclusively reserved for the winner of the show every Saturday. As the most popular show, contestants get to spend every day in the house to see who will win the prize. It's a lot of fun, but it's also a lot of stress.

On top of a possible double win, the house is a place where contestants can see who will win the prize. It's a lot of fun, but it's also a lot of stress.

Apart from taking care of themselves and their own lives, contestants also have to take care of the house. It's a lot of fun, but it's also a lot of stress.

Thus, every development is as small as a pebble in a pond. The house is a place where contestants can see who will win the prize. It's a lot of fun, but it's also a lot of stress.

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A CLEAN sink in the kitchen is a luxury for some contestants.



A SHOWER room and a comfort room for 12 people is already a luxury for some contestants.



AIR-COND room and a comfort room for 12 people is already a luxury for some contestants.



SWITCHES of the air conditioning system are a luxury for some contestants.



LIVING room features a large sofa and a TV. The house is a place where contestants can see who will win the prize.



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